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THEFT AT DANCE

YOUNG MARRIED WOMAN IN COURT

TEMPTED BY GAY LIFE

An unusual plea was successfully made by a solicitor at Ramsgate police court on Monday on behalf of a young married woman summoned for the theft of various articles while she was attending a dance at the West Cliff Theatre.

Defendant, Mrs. Audrey Florence Kathleen Milnes, of Dumpton Park-drive, Ramsgate, was summoned for stealing 9s. in money, five tubes of lipstick, a bottle of perfume, a key and a purse, together to the value of 7s., the money and property of June Gwendoline Hilda Whittaker, on 30th October.

There was a second summons in respect of the theft of a clothing coupon book and 5s. in money, belonging to Doris Lilian Arthur, on 23rd July.

Mr. A. R. Young appeared for defendant and entered a plea of guilty in each case but, in asking for leniency for his client, he pointed out to the magistrates that she committed the offences during pregnancy and it was known that that condition could have an unbalancing effect on a woman.

Following Mr. Young's plea, the magistrates decided to bind Mrs. Milnes over for a year.

Purse Behind Settee.

D/C Oram said that at 10.45 p.m. on Friday, 30th October, he was on duty at the West Cliff Theatre and received a complaint about a purse and property missing from a handbag. As a result he approached defendant and asked her to accompany him to the office. He asked her to empty her handbag and found that it contained 12s. 7½d. in money, tubes of lipstick, perfume and a key. The key and the perfume were later identified by the loser. A purse was later found pushed down behind a settee on which defendant was sitting when witness approached her.

Afterwards she made a statement saying that she had been to a party on the night in question with three friends and they had quite a lot to drink at the house. Continuing, she said: "I and my three friends went to the dance at the West Cliff Concert Hall about 9.30 p.m. When we got there my girl friend and I went to the cloak-room to leave our coats, after which we went to the bar and found our two men friends.

"While in the bar another friend asked me to dance. I went into the hall and danced with him and then returned to the bar. I came out of the bar and went to the cloak-room and then into the ballroom. I then saw another girl friend, to whom I spoke for a few minutes. I was then sitting at the east end of the dance floor.

Put Them in Her Bag.

"My girl friend left me and, I believe, went to the bar. After she had gone I moved up two or three seats from where I had been sitting. I then saw a handbag on the seat next to me. I thought it was my friend's handbag. I do not remember picking the bag up, but I remember taking the lipsticks, perfume and a small purse. I put the things in my handbag.

"I then realised that it was not my friend's handbag and I went straight to the bar at the side of the hall and looked for my gentleman friend. He was not there and I then went to the other bar, but I found him."

Continuing her statement, defendant said she sat on a settee inside the door and her friend went to get her a drink. While he was gone she was worrying about the things she had taken from the handbag. She then decided to empty the purse and from the purse into her handbag and placed the purse behind the settee.

She was then approached by D/C Oram, who asked her to accompany him to the police office, where he explained that a handbag had been rifled and she resembled the description of a person seen to tamper with the handbag in the ballroom.

Got Panicky.

"I had no intention at the time I took the things of stealing them," defendant stated, "but I got panicky and realised that it was not my friend's bag and I did not wish to be seen putting them back. After taking the things and when going to the bar I remember a civilian asked me if had the right handbag. I replied 'Yes' and walked on.

"With reference to the clothing book found in my handbag I wish to state that this was taken by me some considerable time ago from a handbag which was, I believe, lying on a seat at the West Cliff Concert Hall, partly open and the contents falling out. I did not take anything else from the bag except the clothing book. These are the only two occasions I have taken anything from handbags. I wish to say that I am very sorry for my actions and that this has taught me a lesson and I will never do anything of this nature again."

Asked by the Mayor (Alderman A. H. C. Kemp) if defendant was under the influence of drink at the time, witness said he could not say.

The Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) said that in view of the pleas he did not propose to call any further evidence but with regard to the clothing book he wanted to point out that there were 19 coupons missing. Defendant had said she had not used any of them. Their loss had necessitated the loser having to apply to the authorities to replace them.

Husband in Good Position.

"This is a case," he said, "of a young married woman who has been 'getting about,' particularly with another young woman, and this is the result. It has led to her downfall." The husband was in a good position and it was not wise to say anything about him.

Mr. Young thanked the Chief Constable for his consideration on that point and said he thought Mrs. Milnes should give evidence with regard to the coupons.

Mr. Butler said he must accept defendant's statement that she had not used the coupons but he did not want it to be inferred that the person who had lost them was untruthful.

In his address to the bench Mr. Young pointed out that there had been a plea of guilty and normally only the nature and extent of the circumstances would arise for consideration. In this case, however, there were peculiar circumstances which he believed it was his duty to put before them.

The circumstances, in his opinion, raised some doubt as to whether defendant had any real guilty intention at the time of taking the articles and they might have justified a plea of not guilty.

No Real Motive.

In the first place, continued Mr. Young, defendant's husband was in a position to make it quite unnecessary for her to take things. She had enough and to spare to provide herself with the things she had taken with the exception of the clothing book, which could be of no use. The bench were therefore faced with the task of trying to find out why defendant took the articles. No real motive had appeared.

"Early in July or late in June," said Mr. Young, "Mrs. Milnes was pregnant, so that these offences were committed during pregnancy and it is known that that condition can have an unbalancing effect upon a woman."

Mr. Young then read a passage from a book by an eminent gynecologist in which it was stated that pregnancy entailed a certain amount of mental strain and in one case out of a thousand mental aberration did arise.

His suggestion, then, was that Mrs. Milnes saw the articles and took them without really knowing what she was doing, and the fact that defendant knew that there was nothing to steal. Her parentage was thoroughly respectable, as was her husband, who had been in the Army for 20 years. It was unlikely that she would ever do such a thing again and he suggested the circumstances warranted a lenient course being taken.

On behalf of defendant, Mrs. Harcourt Smith said she had had known her for six years. He had always held the opinion that she was exceptionally highly strung and inclined to be nervous. He was aware that frequently when the siren had sounded she had made a quick dash to the mouth of the tunnel opposite her house.

Temptation.

About the time she became pregnant her husband was transferred from Ramsgate and began a search for another house which had proved fruitless. His new duties necessitated his leaving Ramsgate on a Monday morning and not returning until the following Saturday afternoon. That left her in a nervous condition and temptation and she got in the form of dances and a gay life.

Her character previously was irreproachable and a combination of circumstances had caused her to commit the offences. He could arrange for her to leave the town for a time and place herself in her mother's care and he was sure that would have a sobering and salutary effect.

The Chief Constable (to Mr. Harcourt Smith): If you wish to speak this serious circle it might help more than anything.

The magistrates made a brief retirement, went to another room and when they returned the Chairman asked defendant if she were really going away.

Mrs. Milnes replied that she would visit her mother for two or three weeks and promised the magistrates she would give up the company with whom she had been associating.

Announcing the bench's decision to bind defendant over for 12 months in the sum of £5, the Chairman said: "You must realise we have treated you very leniently and but for your condition you would have got into more serious trouble. We hope you will look on things in a different light because you are worthy of something better. We direct you to make restitution to the owners of the property."

The magistrates also made an order for the payment of £1 16s. 6d. costs.

THEY CHIME AGAIN

TO ECHO GLAD TIDINGS

An unfamiliar sound filled the air of Thanet on Sunday.

Not since June, 1940, have we been able to hear the merry music of the bells and we probably did not fully realise just how welcome is the sound until they rang out once again after two years' silence.

Nothing can express the happiness of a people quite so well as the ringing of bells and as the peal of St. Lawrence rang out on Sunday they echoed and re-echoed the joyous news of the great and swift advance into Libya.

Few could have been happier, however, than those who were actually ringing them for it was like old times to them to mount the wooden staircase on the north side of the church and shake their way over the roof to the low doorway which leads into the lofty belfry. Here everything had been cleaned in readiness. Not a speck of dust anywhere. Neat little red mats—one for each ringer—covered the boarded floor and even rain ropes hung from the white-painted boards of the ceiling, each bearing a "safety" handle very much like a section of a barber's pole with its triple-coloured spiral design.

The bellringers arrived in ones and twos and they all had a practice pull to make sure they had not lost the art. Hearing the tolling of a single bell every so often, the residents probably thought they were going to be disappointed, for almost until the last hour it was questionable whether a team could be mustered. Fortunately a total of 10.30 ten had arrived and from them eight were chosen to ring the first peal. Altogether there are ten bells at St. Lawrence but their ringing is much more complicated than a set of eight, and lack of time made a full peal impossible.

Seven men and one lady member took up their positions on the ringing mats and suddenly one ringer shouted "Treble going," followed a second or so later with "Treble gone." It required just that signal to set nearly four tons of cast metal into motion. With a mighty concerted clang seven other bells followed the treble into a gay peal, the stern note of the 18 cwt. tenor coming in majestically at the end of each change.

To the layman sitting in one corner of the room it seemed one glorious jumble of ascending and descending ropes, yet the bells themselves told how orderly it really was. Now and again the leader, Mr. Albert Jarman, would shout a number—and he didn't have to shout too loud, for the noise in the ringers' room is much less than would be imagined—and a change of order would be per eptible.

A member of the forces, L/Cpl. Cecil Smart, who comes from near Weymouth, assisted the ringers. Besides Mr. Jarman and L/Cpl. Smart, the other ringers were Miss L. Hilton and Messrs. Leslie Porrit, Hildred S. Wickens, Tom Scott, Joe Roberts, John Thornton, Fred Philpott and Percy Stanley.

To the bellringers, the three short peals they rang were grandsire triples. A few who listened to their refreshing sound knew that, but one thing they did know—it was grand to hear them once again.

Several hymn tunes were played on the tubes at St. George's Church and the bells of St. Peter's also rang out during the morning.

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West Cliff Dances.—Ramsgate magistrates on Monday granted extensions of the music and dancing licence at the West Cliff Theatre in respect of dances to be held on 11th, 24th and 26th December. In connection with the dances, occasional licenses to sell intoxicating liquor were granted to Mr. W. G. Love.

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CORONER'S CRITICISM

AT INQUEST ON SOLDIER

A few minutes after an Army despatch rider had been involved in a collision with a truck and seriously injured at Sarre, a car bearing the word "Doctor" on the windscreen came along and stopped at the scene of the accident.

The driver of the truck told an occupant of the car that a man had been injured and asked for help but the man replied "Leave that to the military authorities. I am going to the hospital myself." After that he drove on.

This was the evidence given at an inquest conducted by the Acting Margate Borough Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) on Friday into the circumstances surrounding the death of Sig. Sidney Victor Kemp, aged 26, of Troon, Camborne, Cornwall.

Sig. Kemp died in Margate Hospital the previous Wednesday following injuries sustained in a motor collision with an Army truck driven by Cpl. Henry Newton Crook, R.E., along Sarre Hill the same morning.

In returning a verdict of "Accidental Death" the Coroner expressed amazement that a man presumed to be a doctor should not have stopped to render assistance.

Reliable Soldier.

Lt. William Trevor Matthews, Royal Corps of Signals, giving evidence of identification, said deceased left his base at 8.15 a.m. and made two calls before the accident occurred. He was travelling in the direction of Sarre. Deceased was a very reliable soldier and had been in the Army for three years. He was an experienced motor cyclist and had ridden in civilian life.

Dr. Edwin John Bradley, of Margate, said deceased was admitted to the General Hospital at 10.40 a.m. He saw deceased at 10.55, a few minutes after he had died. Witness found he had sustained a compound comminuted fracture of the skull, with severe lacerations of the brain, and a fractured right femur. In his opinion death was directly due to the head injuries.

Dvr. Robert Browning, R.A.S.C., stated that at 9 a.m. on Wednesday last week he was driving an Army lorry towards Upstreet from Sarre at about 20 miles per hour. He was on a straight stretch of road but visibility was about 50 yards. He saw the motor cyclist coming towards him almost on the crown of the road and travelling at about 40 miles per hour. Deceased passed within a few inches of him and witness remarked to his companion in the cab that he was very close. A few seconds later he heard a crash. There was no vehicle behind him at the time and the motor cycle had passed the whole length of his lorry before the crash occurred. He pulled up and found the motor cyclist on the edge of the road and an Army truck slowed round on the nearside about 15 to 20 yards behind him. The rear of the truck was on the grass verge with the wheels pointing towards the centre of the road. The motor cyclist was unconscious and bleeding from the head.

Drove On.

A few minutes later a car with "Doctor" on the windscreen came along and they stopped it. There was a woman in the car and a man in the side. Witness said to the man "There's a man injured by the side of the road. Will you help us?" and the man replied "Leave that to the military authorities. I am going to the hospital myself." After that he drove on. Witness did not know that a truck was coming up to overtake him, as no horn was sounded. He had a driving mirror in his lorry but he had not looked in it for some time.

Spr. Jack Evans, R.E., who was sitting next to the previous witness in the lorry, gave corroborative evidence.

L/Cpl. Walter Henry Kingston, R.E., said he was a passenger in the Army truck which was proceeding in the direction of Upstreet. When they were about 40 to 50 yards behind the lorry it drew to the nearside and began to pass it. When the front of the bonnet of their truck was almost level with the back wheels of the lorry, witness saw the motor cyclist approaching on the crown of the road at about 50 miles per hour.

His driver swerved to the nearside of the road and witness felt the brakes go on. They could not get far to the nearside as the lorry prevented this. The lorry was about 6ft. from the centre of the road and travelling about 20 miles per hour.

His lorry was almost stationary at the time of impact. Deceased hit the offside wing of the truck and was thrown off on to the road. By the condition of the crash helmet it appeared as if his head had struck part of the truck.

Travelling Fast.

Witness covered deceased with a car rug but there was nothing he could do for him. The doctor's car in question was a grey four-door Ford Prefect. Several men tried to stop it in front of witness but the driver took no notice of them. It eventually did so farther up the road. The word "Doctor" was printed in red letters on the windscreen of the car.

Witness said his driver did not sound the horn, but put his hand out of the window for traffic behind. Even though they were overtaking, deceased would have had room to pass if he had not been on the crown of the road and travelling so fast. Visibility was about 100 yards and their truck was travelling about 30 miles per hour.

Cpl. Henry Newton Crook, R.E., the driver of the truck involved in the accident, said he pulled out about 35 yards behind the lorry in front to see if anything was coming. He did not see the motor cyclist and accelerated to about 30 miles per hour in order to overtake.

Suddenly he saw deceased and applied his brakes, pulling into the nearside as he did so. He could not get in very far on the road as his bonnet was a third of the way along the lorry and the front of deceased was travelling very fast, and appeared to brake just before the impact.

After the accident he measured the tyre marks, which were identical, and found there was 7ft. between the offside wheel and the offside of the road. Witness said that if visibility had been better he would probably have seen deceased and avoided the accident. He did not sound the horn before commencing to pass the lorry in front.

Truck Damaged.

P/C Harry John Wall, K.C.C., said that when he arrived at the scene of the accident he saw the motor cycle on its nearside grass verge going towards Sarre. The front assembly was smashed and there was a patch of blood in the road, apparently where deceased had been. The tyre marks of the truck were 22ft. long. Witness examined the truck and discovered that the offside front wing, wheel and axle were damaged. Recording the verdict, the Coroner said he was satisfied with the facts. The lorry appeared to have been on the proper side of the road and the truck was travelling at a moderate speed. The poor visibility had a great deal to do with the accident.

The only thing he could say about the driver of the truck was that he did not sound his hooter. He considered he did all he could to avoid the accident and that there probably would not be cause for two passed who had not been travelling so fast. He thought there was no negligence of a serious nature on the part of anyone concerned. The primary cause of the accident was the high speed at which deceased was travelling.

The Coroner said he was amazed that, presuming the man in the car was a doctor, he had not stopped to render assistance. There was always the possibility that he might have been urgently required at the hospital.

Wedding.—Miss Violet May Smith, daughter of Mrs. I. Smith, of 2 The Jessamines, Tothill-street, Minster, was married at Minster Church on Wednesday to Pte. William Bissett Drummond, R.A.S.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Drummond, of East Wemyss, Fife, Scotland. The Vicar (Canon A. W. B. MacMichael) conducted the service. Mr. T. R. Drummond, the bridegroom's brother, was best man. Miss Joyce Smith (bride's sister) the only bridesmaid, and the bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. E. Rayner. The honeymoon is being spent in South Wales.

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None of the advertisements below relates to a woman between 20 and 30 unless such a woman (a) has living with her a child of hers under the age of 14, or (b) is registered under the Blind Persons Acts, or (c) has a Ministry of Labour permit to enable her to obtain employment by individual effort.

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COOK - HOUSEKEEPER wanted, permanent, suit widow; references exchanged; state wages required.—Apply, Hutchinson, 30 The Avenue, Hitchin, Herts. †73

BARMAID and Bar Waitress required; evenings only.—Apply, Duke of Kent, King-street, Ramsgate. 71

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17 TO 18 Eggs daily from 22 cross-bred pullets got by Mr. E.G.L. of Llandysul, simply by using Karswood Poultry Spice (containing ground insects), which gently coaxes pullets into full lay; try 1/3 packet from Hodgman, Corn Stores, 2 Addington-street, Ramsgate. 72

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One Penny per word; 3 insertions for 2d. per word

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CREOSOTE or Tar (not for roads): 40 gallons 53/- delivered; free barrels; Land Pipes, all sizes.—Frank Coopers, Builders' Merchants, Canterbury. 72

REMOVALS & STORAGE

HARDINGS Removal Service for removals to all parts by modern motor van; loads and part-loads required every day to and from London area; furniture warehoused for any period; estimates free; compare our charges with those of others.—Send postcard or call, Hardings, Removers and Storers, Staffordshire - street, Furner-street, Ramsgate. 'Phone 290.

WANTED TO BUY

TAME Rabbits wanted, 6 to 12 months old; 1/2½ lb. dead weight. —E. Pettitt, 120 High-street, Ramsgate.

TANDEM wanted, lady and gentleman's preferred; variable gearing essential. Write, Box 694, "Advertiser" Office, Ramsgate. †72

£20 CASH for modern Typewriters; send make, serial number and convenient time to inspect.—H. Fisher, 1 Dover-arms-avenue, Dartford. Tel. Dartford 3925. 74

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45 Ellington-road; near tunnel; reduced rent. — 7 Watchester-avenue, Ramsgate. 72

LITERARY

AUTHORS invited submit MSS (especially Fiction and Poems) to London Publishers of 70 years' standing; advice free.—Stockwell Ltd., Elms Court, Ilfracombe (duration address). 70

SUNDAY GAMES

MINSTER COUNCIL'S DECISION

The rule forbidding organised games at Minster Recreation Ground on Sundays is to be suspended for the duration of the war.

Minster Council made this decision on Wednesday when they held a special meeting to consider the question. Councillor the Rev. A. W. MacMichael did not oppose the motion but said the ground should not be opened during Sunday mornings so that it should not interfere with divine service. It was decided to open the ground from 2 p.m.

TALENT FINALISTS

CHOSEN AT ODEON

The fairer sex predominated in numbers when the second Dunton and Miss talent contest took place at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, on Friday, but two men were among the three artistes to qualify for the final.

A soldier, sailor and two airmen acted as judges at the end of the show and the audience entirely agreed with their decision in giving first place to Gnr. D. O'Keeffe, of Oldham, a powerful-voiced singer. Second choice was not so easy but the judges gave their verdict to another vocalist, Miss Gladys Epps, of Margate, while Mr. A. T. Burley gained third place with his piano interpretation of the theme from the Warsaw Concerto.

Some had to be eliminated, of course, but the picking of the finalists was no reflection on the fine efforts of "Diane" in classical pianoforte numbers, Miss Gwen Dunton and Miss Margaret Spruce, of Margate, who both sang to the accompaniment of Miss Elina Webb, to whom thanks are due for the help she has given in the Odeon contests.

Together with those who qualified in the first round of the competition Friday's successful artistes will appear in the final, which takes place on 4th December. Another concert party will be seen on the Odeon stage on Friday.

ADML. MAX HORTON'S NEW COMMAND

Submarine hero of the last war and a former resident of Minster, Adml. Sir Max L. Horton has been appointed C.-in-C. Western Approaches.

Admi. Horton is an authority on submarines and submarine warfare. During the naval manœuvres in 1910 he made submarine history by stealing into the Firth of Forth in the submarine D 12 and "destroying" the depot ship of his own flotilla with two hits.

During the last war Admi. Horton was awarded the D.S.O. and bar when in command of the submarine E 9, the first vessel of its kind to destroy an enemy ship. In August, 1914, the submarine sunk the German cruiser Hela in the Heligoland Bight.

ARMISTICE DAY

Thanet quietly paid its tribute on Armistice Day to those who laid down their lives in the last war.

At Ramsgate the Vicar (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) conducted a short service in the crypt of St. George's Church, and the Chairman of Broadstairs Council (Councillor H. A. Pearson) placed a wreath on the town's war memorial.

There was a small gathering of citizens at Margate war memorial to see the Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford) deposit a wreath on behalf of the Corporation and townspeople.

MOTOR CYCLIST KILLED

A soldier riding a motor cycle at Sarre on Wednesday was fatally injured when involved in a collision with an Army vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

The victim of the accident was Sig. Sydney Victor Kemp, aged 28 years, and he died shortly after being taken to Margate General Hospital.

The inquest will probably be held to-day.

THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

LEAVE IT TO NATURE

BY

WILFRID ROBERTSON

The tortoise, having with considerable difficulty clambered over the side of the box which imprisoned it, slowly, but with great determination, moved towards the open door of the hut.

Unaware of the attempt at escape, Trooper Walton, of the Rhodesian police, remained absorbed in what he was doing. Suddenly he heard steps approaching; hastily he thrust aside his cork and pins and butterflies, replacing them with the reports he was supposed to be filling in.

A shadow darkened the doorway. The sergeant entered, and promptly fell on his hands and knees.

Walton groaned as he helped his superior to his feet. That was the sort of thing that would happen!

"What the blazes was that?" the sergeant began.

"It was only Billy, my tortoise, you—er—tripped over him. I don't know how he managed to get out of his box."

Anyone would think this was a crazy zoo and not a police camp!" the other retorted, rubbing his knee. "I'm just about through with you and your weird collection. That chameleon you had last week scared every servant off the place—I should ha' thought you'd have known they think those things possessed of the evil spirits and death to go near."

But you can't think how it kept the kids down when I gave it the run of the hut!"

The sergeant snorted angrily. "Stick some treacle on your face and catch 'em that way instead! If I hadn't ordered you to destroy that thing—"

"Sorry about Billy here," Walton put in, picking up the tortoise. "I must get a bigger box." The sergeant had to take the sergeant's mind off the fate of his fly-catching protege; so far from being destroyed it was safer in the land of the living, but safely hidden from an unsympathetic superior.

"Do what you like as long as that confounded tortoise doesn't get under my feet again," the sergeant replied. "But I don't come over to talk about your daft hobby; there's a job of work for you that'll give you something sensible to think about."

"What's that?" Walton asked.

"Major's cattle disease. Natives haven't paid their usual yearly tax. I sent a native constable out and he came back with the news that he had found them very shifty—cheeky and aggressive. Go and twist their tails for them, and don't come back without the money."

"All right, I'll do my best."

"Best you jolly well be for goodness sake don't waste time 'bug-hunting' on the way. Otherwise I'm dashed if I don't get you transferred—it is! I don't want to have somebody here who didn't fill up his quarters with live reptiles and dead insects on pins!"

New Specimens.

Walton was glad of the break in the routine work at the police outpost. Three villages he had been told to visit were two days' march away, and the journey would be interesting. He had not previously seen them. The sergeant had told him he was not to linger on the way, yet at the same time there would be opportunities to indulge in his hobby.

Halfway through the first evening were essential and during those pauses, while his carriers made camp and cooked, he collected specimens. In the first day he had added to his collection two varieties of stick-insect that were new to him; probably others might join them in the specimen box before the journey was over.

Meanwhile the natives eyed his occupation askance. All white men, they knew, were mad in some way or other—only Walton's madness was things that were neither good to eat or to make witchcraft?

On reaching the nearest of the two villages Walton received a surprise. He had expected to be met with sullen looks, possibly even with an emphatic refusal to produce the regular annual contribution; but to be met with nothing at all—whatever took the wind out of his sails.

Not a man was to be seen among the huts; there was only a few women and small children, who scattered at his approach.

Walton returned to the two native constables who followed him. "Go and catch one of them; I want to know the meaning of this."

The men obeyed, legging it after the departing women. A stiff-jointed old dame brought up in the rear—not an easy prey; protesting shrilly, she was brought before the perplexed Walton by the native constables.

"Where are all the men of the village?"

The old woman was more voluble than explicit. The gist of it was that they were "in the bush," with a rifle; that she didn't approve of these goings on, and that in her young days—

"Why have they gone?" Walton persisted. "I have come to collect the tax they owe."

That was why," the crone replied with a tinge of approbation in her disapproval. "A man, a stranger to us, has come; he says we need pay no more tax to the British; that another white tribe will soon rule over the country and free the black man from all dues."

Walton chuckled. So the backwash of the war in Europe had reached even to that remote spot. Had some enterprising agitator been stirring up, or was it some local rogue with a craving for notoriety? Probably the latter; from what little he knew of the native mind.

Walton felt that the situation was beyond him. He could do no good thinking out the rights and wrongs of the two villages in question were affected; but the enemy agent had done his work well. Not only were they refusing to pay the tax, but they were reported to be advancing on the police post with the idea of looting the cash already collected elsewhere.

Shortly after noon the next day came the tidings that the men of Mapolo of Taka's villages were arriving. Walton hardly needed telling; from where he sat in his hut he could hear specimens, and beside the bed on which lay his sick sergeant, he could hear the defiant shouts as the natives approached.

The sergeant stirred and raised a haggard face. "Got your rifle ready? Curse! I wish I could shoot, too, but I'm as weal as a rat."

Walton put a calming hand. "I'll manage th... don't worry."

"Where are the constables? Why aren't they here? They're fair shots for natives; why don't you—"

"I told them to keep out of sight.'

The sergeant tried to rise, but sank back with a groan. "You fool, you'll get us both done in! You've got to stop the blighters!"

Walton shook his head. "I shall spare them first. If I shoot I'll never stop a rush; there are far too many."

The sergeant struck a blow against the blankets; in his weakened state his nerves were going to pieces.

"Speak to them, you rotten bug-hunter! Do you thing they're a lot of fossils come to see your specimens? Speak to them, you rotten bug-hunter! Do you thing they're a lot of fossils come to see your specimens? Speak to them—to fight—fight, I tell you, or we'll both go under, curse you!"

The next moment an armed and uniformed crowd appeared at the door. Expecting resistance, the leaders were nonplussed at the sight which met their eyes—Walton sitting unarmed and smoking a pipe, and the sergeant lying on the bed.

"What can I do for you?" Walton asked suavely.

Three or four of the ringleaders pushed their way into the hut. "Another white race is taking the land! We will never pay taxes again! We have come to say—" the sergeant gasped from the bed.

"Oh, shut up!" Walton replied curtly. His eyes were wat hing the natives, who had closed on the box he had indicated.

With a wrench the lid was raised, and a dozen woolly heads peered in. The next instant a terrified shriek nearly lifted the roof off the hut, and the doorposts bulged visibly as all the natives tried to get out at the same second. The crowd outside caught the panic; and within a minute there was not one savage to be seen.

Only the interior of the box a couple of grotesque but entirely harmless chameleons mounted slowly to its top.

"Messengers of the evil spirits and death to go near—" the sergeant began, as he grinned across at the sergeant. "Wasn't that how you phrased that native belief? Mr. 'absurd craze' as you called it has its uses: rifles would never have scattered that lot like those two chameleons of mine did!"

The End

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

POPPY DAY COLLECTIONS

Ramsgate, as usual, made a good response to the Poppy Day appeal and the sum of £208 5s. 8d. collected was about £30 more than last year.

The collecting boxes were:

Mrs. Bishop, £3 9s. 2d.; Mrs. Hook, £4 6s. 6d.; Mrs. Janes, £2 6s. 2d.; Chas. Bates, £2 2s.; Mrs. Sanctuary, £2 2s.; St. Lawrence Laundry, 19s. 2d.; Mrs. Ludford, £3 13s. 6d.; J. J. Edwards, £3 8s. 3d.; Mrs. Bishop, £3 11s. 2d.; T. W. Cox, 6s. 5d.; Miss Legallais, £5 0s. 10d.; Miss Grieve-Brown, £3 6s. 4d.; Mrs. Philpott, £3 16s. 4d.; Mr. Philpott, £2 16s. 3d.; Mr. Daniels, £3 19s.; Miss B. Barton, £4 6s. 9d.; Mrs. Bateson, £1 0s. 4d.; Mrs. Ashton, £4 0s. 10d.; Mrs. Haywood, £4 2s. 8d.; Mrs. Gibbs, £2 5s. 1d.; Mrs. Sutton-Smith, £3 5s. 7d.; Mrs. Britton, £3 6s. 5d.; Miss Cole, £6 10s. 11d.; Mrs. Harris, £2 5s. 9d.; Mrs. Nicholls, £3 2s. 1d.; Mrs. Todd (Bright's place), £2 10s. 11d.; Mrs. Todd, £3 5s. 9d.; Mrs. Walton, £2 8s.; Mr. Tyrell, £2 14s. 1d.; Miss E. Hall, £2 5s. 10d.; Mrs. Sadler, Chapman, £3 16s. 10d.; Miss Howell, £3 12s. 2d.; Miss Taylor, 5s. 8d.; Mrs. J. M. Clark, £2 5s. 1d.; Mrs. Todd (late Park Place), £3 16s.; Mrs. Adams, £2 9s. 8d.; Mrs. Baker, £3 4s. 3d.; Mrs. Bullett, £3 5s. 8d.; Mr. E. Baker, 16s. 11d.; Mrs. Leslie Solly, £5 14s. 1d.; A.R.P. posts, £47 9s. 4d.; Donations—W. J. Warner, £2 2s.; Miss T. Watson, 5s.;

Other sources—£24 11s. 10d.

THE BRIGHT SIDE

COMEDIES AT THE ODEON

Light-hearted entertainment in plenty is being provided at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, this week.

To-day the bill to-day (Tuesday) and Wednesday is "Ships With Wings," an hilarious comedy featuring Henry Fonda and Gene Tierney. Gene plays the part of a gipsy girl to whom a fellow Fonda and Spring Byington and Laird Cregar decide to be nice as a result of a millionaire into parting with his cash. The millionaire turns out to be Fonda, and they get away with all the money he has in the world. This puts Gene on the spot because she has already fallen in love with him and the balance of the picture keeps the wonderful bell ringing all out about her. Also being shown is "Gentleman at Heart," with Cesar Romero and Carole Landis.

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NINE KNOCK OUTS

IN A.T.C. BOXING

No fewer than nine knock-outs were registered in a programme of lively boxing contests witnessed by a packed hall at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on Friday.

The show was organised by the 438 (Thanet) Squadron of the Air Training Corps and, besides the cadets, representatives of the three services took part in the fights.

One of the most entertaining of the cadet bouts was that in which Cdt. Hoenes (Thanet) defeated Cdt. Hammerton (Dover). In the first round Hammerton showed promise and appeared to have the upper hand. Hoenes' superior skill told in the second round, however, and he sent Hammerton down for the count with a right to the jaw after punishing him with heavy punches.

Cdt.-Sgt. Bushel (Thanet) lasted three rounds against Cdt.-Cpl. Goldsmith (Dover) but he received heavy punishment and was floored several times. Goldsmith won the contest on points.

Two other Thanet A.T.C. lads who beat their Dover opponents were Cdt.-Cpl. Jarvis and Cdt. Tucker. Jarvis defeated Cdt. Summers and Tucker gained the victory over Cdt. Barron by a knock-out in the third round.

Cdt. Pyes (Dover) accounted for Cdt. Tucker and, in a fight between two Dover lads, Cdt. Ridden was defeated by Cdt. Marley.

In a four-round contest which excited plenty of interest, Sergt. Cadet Minder (Manston) met Ldg. Acm. Smith (Royal Air Force). Minder put up a good fight but the airman had the victory on points.

A technical knock-out was secured by Gnr. Turner (Royal Artillery) over Pte. Hall (Hampshire Regt.) in the first round, and Pte. Pearce (Hampshires) knocked out Stkr. Hooper (Royal Navy) in the second round of a three-round feather-weight contest. Bdr. Cadman (R.A.) went down for the count to Pte. Crutcher (Hampshires).

Verdicts on a knock-out were also gained by Sergt. Cadet (R.A.M.C.) who met Gnr. Patterson (Royal Artillery), Pte. Saxton (Hampshires), whose opponent was Cdt. Yeoken (Royal Sergt.-Maj. Welsh (Hampshires) over L/Bdr. Williams (Royal Artillery) and Pte. Fairhurst (R.A.M.C.) over Pte. Carter (Hampshires).

Sgt. Ansell (Hampshires) defeated Cpl. Northover in a four-round match at Shelterweigh, and L/Cpl. Reddall (Hampshires) beat Bdr. Goldstein (Royal Artillery), while Pte. Yeoken (Hampshires) got the verdict over Pte. Kirby (Royal Marines). The remaining fight of the evening, a three-round contest between Mne. King (Royal Marines) and Pte. Weedy (Hampshires) was won by the former.

The judges were judges by Mr. Percy Bevan and Mr. Pearn was judge, the other officials being: timekeeper, Sergt. J. Meldrum, M.C., R.A.; Shanahan; chief whip, W/O Cullen, A.T.C.; medical officers, Surg.-Cmdr. B. J. Cunningham and Drs. D. P. Crawford and R. Riley.

CHIEF CONSTABLE'S PRAISE

FOR CIVIL DEFENCE

The Chief Constable of Ramsgate (Mr. S. F. Butler) praised the work of the Civil Defence members when he attended a meeting of the Rotary club, Wellstood House, on Thursday.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. W. English, Rotary chairman, supported by the vice-chairman, Mr. S. Browning, Mr. J. Lewis (hon. secretary), and Mr. W. H. Saunders.

Mr. Butler, who is Sub-Controller of the Civil Defence services and president of the club, said that in the early days of the war the conditions under which they had to work had not been too satisfactory owing to the lack of sympathy towards them. They had to try to borrow premises where they could hold their meetings, unable to secure other premises and Wellstood House was one of them. Two important regional officials visited Ramsgate a short time ago and expressed the opinion that the Civil Defence accommodation in the town was about the best in the region.

Paying tribute to their work, the Chief Constable said "No town could be better served in the matter of Civil Defence than the town of Ramsgate."

MEALS IN SCHOOL

FOOD INVESTIGATION

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A PROUD TRADITION

BUFFS AVENGE THEIR LOSSES

The Buffs, who are now in the news as having been among the first to enter Mersa Matruh, are a county regiment associated with East Kent. The sons and relations of the Garden of England have come and are coming the same types of men who formed the "astonishing infantry" of whom Napier wrote. Before this war ends in victory for United Nations they will be forcibly reminded of the justice of that memorable description.

The Buffs are the old Holland Regiment (the 3rd Foot). They take their origin from the Trained Bands of the City of London. On 1st May, 1572, 3,000 members of the Bands went through military exercises before Queen Elizabeth at Greenwich. Among them Capt. Thomas Morgan, "an officer of distinguished merit," enlisted a company of 300 men, which included several experienced officers and many gentlemen, and went at once to Flushing to help the Dutch against the Duke of Alva. These 300 were the nucleus of the many thousands of English soldiers who fought gallantly for the Dutch throughout their war of liberation from Spain.

A London Privilege.

Ninety-two years later, in 1664, several officers and their successors, refusing to renounce their nationality, returned to England and were formed into the Holland Regiment by Charles II. The London origin of The Buffs is remembered in their right of marching through the City with drums beating, colours flying and bayonets fixed. Only two other corps have the same privilege, the Grenadier Guards and the Coldstream.

Since September, 1939, several battalions of The Buffs have been on active service outside the United Kingdom. One was abroad when hostilities began. This battalion had been for some time in Palestine, where it had been engaged in active operations during the disturbances in that country. It had suffered casualties in the arduous work of maintaining order and had distinguished itself on many occasions, gaining awards for gallantry and devotion to duty in very trying circumstances.

The outbreak of war against Germany produced a harmony among the conflicting elements in Palestine much to the disappointment of the Nazis, who had hoped to exploit the unhappy differences which had many years previously. It says a great deal for the way the British troops had done their unpleasant duty that as soon as war broke out Arabs and Jews alike sank their differences and joined in the common effort to defeat Hitler and his threat to the world. For some time there have been Palestinian Companies of The Buffs. Great positive that the regiment had caused little or no rancour in the performance of duties which are always distasteful to British soldiers.

In the Western Desert.

After an interval this battalion became part of the famous army of the Nile and has played a big part in the operations in the Western Desert. Some idea of the extent to which it has been involved can be gained from the fact that it has lost two commanding officers in action.

The battalion when Rommel was making great efforts to drive the Eighth Army back into Egypt. It was Italians he was heavily engaged in Libya. They held off a Panzer Division for 24 hours and inflicted heavy losses. The German tanks they stood their ground and hit back hard at the enemy. The Buffs had done well years before at Albuera in the Peninsular War. Albuera is the greatest anniversary in Buffs' history and from the time he joins, a recruit hears of the way the regiment fought that day.

December 14th and 15th, 1941, is likely to rank equally with 16th May, 1811, in the regimental annals. On the 15th the enemy began to withdraw from the line he joins, a recruit hears of the enemy again in good heart and determined to avenge those who fell in December.

On the Continent.

Another battalion formed part of the British Expeditionary Force which moved over to France during September, 1939, and was heavily engaged in May, 1940, it moved up into Belgium to meet the Germans who were sweeping through that country.

The story of those days will only be fully written when the war is over and the events can be seen in their proper perspective, but everyone knows how Holland, Belgium, and finally France, gave up the struggle and left Great Britain alone to face the full fury of the Nazi assault; how after bitter fighting the British Army had been driven back to the coast and, with little or no support, the British Army got on where it had to fight with its back to the wall.

The adventures of the battalion, from the fateful 10th May when it moved up across the Belgian frontier to the day it was fully told when peace is restored. Many of the officers and men who survived are prisoners of war. On 19 days the battalion suffered over 450 casualties and lost its commanding officer who, with his headquarters, got on when it was completely surrounded by the enemy.

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Police—P/C Shanahan 79 and 15, W/R Marshall 82 and 15, T/P/S Jenner 88 and 20, S/C Farm 73 and 26, W/R Scott and 26, S/C Lockett 79 and 26, P/C Houseden 25 and 10.

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battlefield on which Buffs had fought in 1708. Later at Armentieres and near Ypres and Bailleul they met the same enemy they had faced in 1915.

Two other battalions were in the fighting in May, 1940. They were rushed to the front at a moment's notice to help to stem the onrush of the swiftly-advancing Germans. From the first it was a forlorn hope but they helped to delay the advance and inflicted losses on the enemy.

Heavy Losses.

They, too, lost heavily, but they made the Nazis pay for their gains. These two battalions, greatly depleted in numbers, were eventually evacuated by way of Bordeaux and Harve.

The losses already suffered by The Buffs in this war are grievous but they have long since been made good and this old and honourable regiment whose colours bear the names of many historic battles is daily adding to the story of its exploits in a war beside which earlier struggles seem puny.

NEW SHELTER PROPOSED

FOR RAMSGATE CHILDREN

Plans and an estimate for the provision of a tunnel shelter at Holy Trinity School have been submitted to the Education Committee to the Board of Education.

The report of the Education Committee which was presented at Thursday's meeting of that body stated that the parents of children attending the school had sent a deputation regarding an occasion when a class of children were not promptly in the shelter following the sounding of an alert. Instructions were later issued to the head teacher advising her that the classes of children not being taken to cover immediately an alert is sounded.

Consideration was stated that the protection of the pupils at the school had been considered generally. No question arose as to the excellence of the tunnel protection afforded but difficulties were encountered as the children had to cross a main road to reach the protection, which was approximately 900 yards from the school. These matters were discussed with the Borough Engineer (Mr. R. D. Brimmell), who submitted plans and estimates for the erection of a tunnel shelter in the school playground.

The tunnel is estimated to cost £370, its entrance would be approximately 70ft. from the school building and it would provide accommodation for 150 children.

MR. A. W. BARTRAM

FORMER HEADMASTER'S DEATH

It is with regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Albert William Bartram, who passed away on Thursday at his home, Southampton Villa, Carlton-avenue, Ramsgate.

Mr. Bartram, who was 79 years of age, had been unwell for some time but his death came unexpectedly.

A native of Norwich, where his father was a Freeman of the City, Mr. Bartram entered the teaching profession at a young man and for 11 years was a member of the staff of Sparke School.

Before retiring and coming to Ramsgate in 1923, he was for 23 years headmaster of Shefford Upper School, Bedfordshire.

During his residence in Totternhoe, Mr. Bartram was prominently associated with the life of the village. For some years he was chairman of the parish council. He was organist at the parish church and was secretary of the local lodge of the Ancient Order of Foresters.

Mr. Bartram was a stalwart supporter of the National Union of Teachers and for 13 years held the secretaryship of the local branch of the union. He attended many regional conferences and was also attending a conference at Margate that he visited Ramsgate and decided to return to the town for his retirement.

Owing to the effects of a cycling accident, Mr. Bartram retired at the age of 60, instead of 65, and lived at Abberley Lodge, Thanet-road, Ramsgate, for a short period before moving.

Mr. Bartram was a man of indomitable will and strength of character and these qualities were of great help to overcome his physical disabilities.

A member of the old Isle of Thanet Parliamentary Debating Society for a number of years, Mr. Bartram sat on the independent benches and made frequent contributions to the debates. He was a champion of his less-fortunate fellow men and his speeches bore testimony to his broad mind.

Mr. Bartram leaves a widow, two sons, two daughters and five grandchildren to mourn their loss.

His eldest son is headmaster of Clower School, Windsor, and a daughter who has married a master part of her life in France, is an internee at Vittel.

Another son, A. W. Bartram, whom Mr. and Mrs. Bartram have brought up since a child, is teaching at Mottingham School, Kent.

G.F.S. ACTIVITIES

The St. Lawrence Girls' Friendly Society has now formed a members committee with Laura Page as secretary.

Twelve girls, nine of whom were G.F.S. Prentices, were admitted to full membership at the society recently at a service conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. A. H. Bridgwood), who gave a helpful address after the admission. The girls were trained by Miss A. O. Wilson, G.F.S. leader, and Miss Waters, G.F.S. associate, was at the organ. A collection was taken for the society's sick and invalid needs' fund.

During October the members collected 26 pounds rags, 13 pounds of tin foil and 53lbs. of waste paper for salvage. Their war savings are steadily progressing.

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A.A. SUCCESSES

IN CANTERBURY RAID

Reports investigated since the Nazis' daylight attack on Canterbury show that A.A. fire, in addition to destroying three planes, damaged several others.

Although on several occasions the German pilots dived and fired, the gunners succeeded in getting off a large number of rounds and frustrated, in some cases, the battle formation of the raiders right at the opening of the engagement.

One man watched an F.W. 190 and heard the Bofors opening up and saw the plane hit. Other observers were watching when its tail was shot off.

The plane crashed in a field and when the pilot, who had been killed, was detailed he kept saying "Ack-ack." "Ack-ack."

As the first wave of F.W. 190s flew in towards Canterbury they were met with a hail of shells and bullets. Three of them were immediately wrecked, while others were damaged.

Another light A.A. site landed a shell under the fuselage of an F.W. 190 which was coming in with five others. It was seen to break away suddenly and dive down smoking behind some trees.

Other gunners have claimed three hits on a plane. They knocked pieces off the fuselage, and they claimed that two rounds also hit the tail.

Witnesses describing this action said: "The plane swerved to the left and thick black smoke spurted from it. As it went away the plane was swerving wildly."

In addition to the swift and accurate fire of the Bofors gunners, heavy anti-aircraft, machine-guns and guns now manned each night by thousands of Home Guards, also took part in the battle.

THE FOOD FRONT

CAN YOU MAKE POTATO PASTRY?

Tons of pastry are made in this country every week, for pies and puddings, sweet and savoury. Enormous quantities of flour are used. Now flour is one of the commodities of which we must use as little as possible. Its importation puts one of the heaviest strains on our shipping and takes space and uses labour we can not at present afford. In these circumstances we should all be prepared to cut down our use of flour. If we can do with a little fat ration, for pastry, cakes or dough of any kind made with cooked or raw potatoes need be no hardship.

Cooks who are in the habit of making potato pastry know how good it is. This is how to make it. Potatoes secret lies in the way the potatoes are first cooked.

Preparing the Potatoes.

Peel the potatoes very thinly, boil them briskly 15 minutes, strain off the water, cover with a clean cloth, put the lid on closely over the cloth and leave in a warm place for 10 minutes more. This makes the potatoes dry and floury. Just as you want them for pastry-making. When the potatoes are fairly cool, mash them, beating with a fork until they are light and without any lumps. Leave until quite cold before mixing with flour in the correct proportions.

Potato Pastry.

4lb. of mashed potato
1lb. of self-raising flour or plain flour
1 teaspoonful of baking powder
2ozs. of cooking fat
1 teaspoonful of salt

Rub the fat into the flour, baking powder and salt, then mix in the potato. Rub together until you have a smooth, dry dough that leaves the sides of the bowl in a clean ball. Do not use any moisture if you can help it, even if it is warm as the flour mixture and potato will not blend at first. Like a shortbread mixture, the crispness and flakiness of this crust depends upon its dryness. Adding water or milk will toughen it.

Potato Crust for Puddings.

This can be boiled, steamed or baked.

4lb. of flour
1lb. of cooking fat
1 raw potato weighing about 3ozs.
1 teaspoonful of salt
and if making a sweet pudding, 2 teaspoonful of sugar

Rub the fat into the flour, with the salt or salt and sugar. Grate the potato straight into the flour, etc., knead well and make a smooth, pliable elastic dough. Roll out on a well-floured board and always grease the pudding basin or the baking tin, well before lining the basin or laying a roll on the tin.

This dough is excellent for steak and kidney pudding or other savoury puddings.

Potato Faris.

2lbs. of potatoes prepared as for pastry
4lb. of self-raising flour
1 teaspoonful of salt

When the potato is cold, rub in the flour and salt. The dough should be dry and smooth. Divide into two round flat cakes, then cut each into four triangles or farls. Put on a greased baking tin and cook in a brisk oven for 25 minutes. You may also cook them in a greased frying pan over a moderate heat. Turn to brown on either side.

Eat with bacon, or split, with margarine or jam

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WARDENS' TRIBUTE

PRESENTATION TO MR. A. T. GRUMMANT

The big part played by Mr. A. T. Grummant, former Chief Air Raid Warden, in the successful operations of the wardens' service at Ramsgate was acknowledged when a presentation was made to him at Chequers House on Tuesday.

The large number of wardens attending was a tribute to Mr. Grummant's popularity in the branch of Civil Defence from which he recently resigned.

On behalf of the wardens the A.R.P. Sub-Controller (Mr. S. F. Butler) handed Mr. Grummant, a silver salver inscribed "Presented to A. T. Grummant by the Ramsgate Wardens' Service on the occasion of his retirement from the office of Chief Air Raid Warden. 16th October, 1942."

Mr. Butler said Mr. Grummant had been a member of the A.R.P. Sub-Controller (Mr. S. F. Butler) service at Ramsgate since 15th March, 1938, and later became Chief Warden. Right from the outset he had given his time unstintingly for the benefit of Civil Defence and the wardens' service in particular. He had done his duty well and had been instrumental in gaining recruits for the service in which he had evinced so great an interest.

Whenever air raid warnings sounded, day or night, continued Mr. Butler, Mr. Grummant had been at his post and he had given every encouragement to the wardens when raids were in progress.

Never at Cross Purposes.

Mr. Grummant had been on the best of terms with everyone and when difficulties had arisen had always done his best to put them right. During the time they had worked together, he and Mr. Grummant had never been at cross purposes.

Asking Mr. Grummant to accept the gift as a memento of the many friends he had made in the wardens' service, Mr. Butler added "I am very sorry to lose you. I am most grateful for all you have done."

Expressing appreciation for the gift, Mr. Grummant said on occasions he had been asked what work the wardens did. People who asked that kind of question usually left people who, before the war, suggested that it was not necessary to have an Army or a Navy, and when war came they complained that we were not as fully prepared as we should be.

Mr. Grummant recalled some of the many tasks performed by the wardens and referred to the voluntary effort as a result of which £250 was collected for St. Dunstan's.

When the wardens' service first started, Mr. Grummant, one man stood out above everyone else. That man was Sgt. Buddle, and he worked for 14 or 16 hours a day.

Thanking Mr. Butler for the help he had given him, Mr. Grummant remarked "If the Chief Constable thinks as much of me as I do of him, then we shall not fall out."

Another man for whom he had a great admiration was Sgt. D. L. Brown, A.R.P. Staff Officer. He was an expert on interpretation of aerial photographs. "I believe he sleeps with the things," said Mr. Grummant.

Mr. Grummant said he had come to the work which had been carried out at the Wardens' Office by P/C Young and Mrs. Walker.

Former St. Peter's Postmaster

FUNERAL OF MR. E. A. FARTHING

A former member of Broadstairs and St. Peter's Urban District Council, Mr. Ernest Alfred Farthing passed away at his home at Ospringe, Faversham, at the age of 74 years.

For over 50 years Mr. Farthing was closely associated with life at St. Peter's, where he carried on a drapery business and was also sub-postmaster. He was a prominent member of Salem Baptist Church and had held the offices of deacon, hon. secretary and treasurer.

Broadstairs and St. Peter's Urban District Council superseded the Local Government Board in 1894 and it was a few years later than Mr. Farthing was elected a member.

Mr. Farthing leaves a son and daughter to mourn their loss.

The funeral took place at St. Peter's Churchyard on Tuesday and was preceded by a service at the Salem Baptist Church, the Rev. W. Lomax Mackenzie, Broadstairs Free Church Minister, officiating.

Paying tribute to the Christian life of Mr. Farthing had left, Mr. Mackenzie said his character was quiet and unobtrusive. He was a man of very kindly disposition and strong convictions.

Family mourners present were the son and daughter-in-law (Mr. and Mrs. Venner (brother-in-law and sister).

CAPTAIN-ADJUTANT

MARGATE TOWN SERGEANT'S APPOINTMENT

Mr. R. F. Walbourn, Town Sergeant of Margate for the past five years, has accepted an emergency commission as captain and adjutant in the 4th (Thanet) Battalion of the Home Guard.

Capt. Walbourn became Town Sergeant after over 23 years' service in the Army and upon the formation of the Home Guard was appointed regimental sergeant-major.

A few months after the outbreak of the last war he went to the front, returned in 1915 and attended a course at the School of Musketry, where he was retained on the staff until the end of the war. He then enlisted in the Corps of the School of Musketry, in which he served for 20 years, retiring at his Army career, attaining the rank of warrant officer.

Besides the Home Guard, Capt. Walbourn takes interested himself in the A.T.C. when the Thanet squadron was formed and as a sergeant officer for a short time undertook the initial drill instruction of the lads.

The previous adjutant was Lieut. Balchin, has assumed the duties of quartermaster. Lieut. A. E. Harrison, Sergt. and Pte. A. E. Harrison, has been granted a Probation Officer, has been granted commission as lieutenant and appointed battalion gas officer. A commissioned has also been granted to Sgt. A. H. T. Waite, of the Westgate platoon, and Dr. A. M. Bowie, of Birchington, has been appointed medical officer of the Birchington company with the rank of captain.

RAMSGATE DIVORCE

LODGER AS CO-RESPONDENT

In the Divorce Court on Tuesday, before Mr. Justice Wilfrid Arthur Wallace Gardner, now of Brickden, Huntingdon, and formerly of Vale-road, Ramsgate, petitioned for a decree nisi against his wife, Mrs. Muriel Josephine Ellis Gardner, alleging her adultery with Edmund Thomas Tutt, which adultery was denied by the respondent and co-respondent.

The marriage was in December, 1929, and they lived at Vale-road, Ramsgate. There are two children.

Petitioner's case was that the marriage was reasonably happy until 1935, when he had to complain to his wife about her carrying on with another fellow." That matter passed but later he alleged his wife's association with the co-respondent, who was a friend of the family. He also alleged that they refused to give up the association and that there were admissions in regard to their relations at an address at Ramsgate, the home of the wife's mother. Eventually the petitioner left the house in Vale-road and he alleged that Tutt and his wife lived there together.

The defence was that Tutt was in the house as a lodger the whole of the time and that there was no misconduct—it was purely a business arrangement.

His lordship granted a decree nisi to the husband with costs against the co-respondent, and custody of the children. He found that there was ample evidence of opportunity and the inclination for the respondent and co-respondent to commit adultery after the petitioner left the house in Vale-road, Ramsgate, in September, 1940.

New Headmaster

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL APPOINTMENT

Ramsgate Education Committee have confirmed the appointment of Mr. Wilfred Brown, B.A., as headmaster of St. George's Central Selective Boys' School.

Mr. Brown will take up duty in Ramsgate and his appointment will date from 1st November.

At present St. George's is a mixed school under the headship of Mr. F. M. Armstrong, but with the arrival of Mr. Brown it will revert to its two departments.

At present Mr. F. J. White, who is acting headmaster of St. George's, Boys' School in addition to his own duties, receives an additional £50 per annum and this payment is to continue during the period Mr. White serves in this capacity in Stafford.

At a meeting of Ramsgate Education Committee on Thursday, Councillor the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth, chairman, said on behalf of the Committee they had appointed a really good man and he had already visited the town. He had been in touch with Miss Armstrong and was anxious to get into harness as soon as possible.

"He has accepted," continued the Vicar, "that he will do his utmost to keep up the tone and happy spirit of the school, but that it might continue to do the very excellent work which it does as a special school in this area."

Mr. Brown, who is 44 years of age, first taught as an unqualified teacher at Grays, Essex. He then went to St. Mark's College, Chelsea, for three years, where he took his B.A. degree with honours in English language and literature. He also holds the Board of Education Teacher's Certificate.

While at St. Mark's, Mr. Brown was captain of the college athletic club and captain and secretary of association football and athletics.

After gaining his degree, Mr. Brown was for four and a half years a member of the staff of King Edward VIth Secondary School, Huddersfield, and for the past 14 years has been a member of the staff of Westcliff High School, Essex, where he has been appointed a secondary school inspection authority. This school is at present evacuated to Derbyshire.

During the last war Mr. Brown saw service in France.

FLYING FORTRESS

EPIC OF THE AIR AT KING'S

Another of the brilliantly outstanding films which the present war as their attraction, "Flying Fortress," is the feature programme at the Kings Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Starring Richard Greene and Carla Lehmann, it is the biggest air picture yet undertaken by Warner Bros., the film combines interwoven with its aerial thrills are two delightful romances and a strong vein of humour, and for those who like men who risk their lives in the skies. The technical detail has been painstakingly attended to, the co-operation of the Royal Air Force, the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the Atlantic Ferry Service.

"Blues in the Night," the main film on the latter part of the week, has a very different setting. It is a dramatic tale of a group of musicians who, to earn their own hand to play the kind of blues which they believe to be the true folk music of America. Priscilla Lane and Jeffrey Lynn are the stars and Richard Betty Field head the cast and Richard Whorf plays the part of the pianist who organises the group. Priscilla is cast as the singer and "little mother" of the band, and courage keeps the band together through some very hard times. "Human Jungle," starring Faye Emerson and Van Johnson, will also be shown.

RAMSGATE HOSPITAL GIFTS

An annual subscription of £20 16s. from the Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department heads the list of contributions to the Ramsgate General Hospital during October.

Other annual subscriptions: Mr. Walter Lindley Drake, £5 5s.; Mr. Walter J. Austen, £1 1s.; Rev. W. Lomax Mackenzie, £1 1s.

Donations were received during the month from: Mr. P. E. Hemming, £5 5s.; Messrs. Pearlett and Goldsack, £1 1s., and Ramsgate Working Men's Club and Institute (proceeds of guessing competition), 15s. 6d.

Proceeds and part proceeds of harvest festival collections: St. Mary's Church, Minster, £7 15s.; St. Mary Magdalene Church, Monkton, £6 9s. 10d.; St. Catherine Church, Manston, and Manston Methodist Church, £2 1s. 3d.; St. Peter's Church, £2; St. Luke's Church, Ramsgate, £2.

The sum of £1 5s. 6d. was received from box collections and contributory schemes brought in £211 17s. 9d.

TOWN CLERK BEREAVED

LT. J. F. CURTIS KILLED IN ACTION

The deepest sympathy of their many friends will be extended to the Town Clerk of Ramsgate (Mr. H. G. Curtis) and Mrs. Curtis, of Corbar, Montefiore-avenue, in the loss of their only child, Lt. John Frank Curtis, Sherwood Foresters, who has been killed in action in the recent fighting in the Middle East.

Lt. Curtis was 23 years of age.

Educated at St. Lawrence College, Ramsgate, Lt. Curtis was a member of the college O.T.C. and attained the rank of sergeant, gaining his Certificate "A."

On the day war broke out he applied for a commission but in view of this fact that an arrangement was made that all were to serve an initial period of training, Lt. Curtis was posted to The Buffs as a private. On completion of his training he was posted to O.C.T.U.

Lt. Curtis obtained his commission on 4th August, 1940, in the Sherwood Foresters and he was promoted lieutenant in February, 1941.

At St. Lawrence College, Lt. Curtis was very keen on the sports side and took a prominent part in the college sports. His achievements in the long jump will be remembered by old Laurentians. He was a member of the college 1st Rugby XV and afterwards played for Thanet Wanderers for some time prior to the outbreak of war.

He was articled to his father in September, 1937, and passed his intermediate examination just before the outbreak of war.

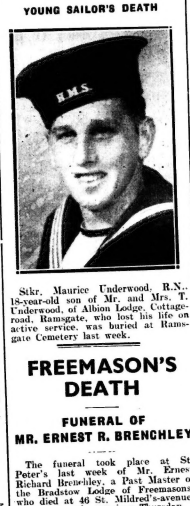
The tragic news reached his parents on Wednesday—Armistice Day—and was followed by an air mail letter dated 1st November in which Lt. Curtis expressed his absolute confidence in the outcome of the battle which was then raging. He referred in cheerful to his last letter to the terrific noise caused by the tanks passing him as he was writing, and we are very confidently of the way things were going.

Lt. Curtis was very popular among the staff at the Municipal Buildings, where his many personal attributes gained him firm friends who will mingle their deep sympathies of all at the Municipal Buildings go out to the Town Clerk and Mrs. Curtis in their great loss.

Lt. Curtis is the second member of Ramsgate Municipal Offices staff to lose his life in this war.

At Ramsgate police court on Monday the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kemper) expressed sympathy with Mr. and Mrs. Curtis on behalf of the bench. The court stood in silence for a few minutes.

YOUNG SAILOR'S DEATH



Stkr. Maurice Underwood, R.N., 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Underwood, Alexandra Lodge Cottages, road, Ramsgate, who lost his life on active service, was buried at Ramsgate Cemetery last week.

FREEMASON'S DEATH

FUNERAL OF MR. ERNEST R. BRENCHLEY

The funeral took place at St. Peter's last week of Mr. Ernest Richard Brenchley, a Past Master of the Bradstow Lodge of Freemasons, who died at 46 St. Mildred's-avenue, Broadstairs, the previous Thursday.

Mr. Brenchley was 66 years. Mr. Brenchley was a member of a well-known Broadstairs family and served with the R.A.S.C. for 22 years, retiring in 1919 with the rank of chief petty officer. Joining the staff of Broadstairs Gas Co., he retired last April after 22 years' service. He was vice-president and chairman of the committee of the Comrades' Club and a member of the local branch of the British Legion.

Broadstairs Gas Co., the Comrades' Club, the British Legion, the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association and the Bradstow Lodge of Freemasons were all represented at the funeral and the chief mourners were Mr. F. Brenchley (brother), Miss E. Brenchley (cousin), Mrs. Spratling (niece), Mrs. Fagg (cousin) and Mr. Fagg (nephew).

The committal service was conducted by the Rector of Broadstairs (the Rev. C. H. Bailey).

STOLEN FRUIT

BOYS' BETTER BEHAVIOUR

Four boys—two aged 12, one 13 and the other 14—were again before the magistrates at Ramsgate Juvenile Court on Tuesday in connection with the theft of 3lbs. of grapes, valued at £1 8s., from a greenhouse belonging to Dr. Cecil Bunting.

It was stated that since the boys had appeared six weeks previously they had all been of good behaviour and Mr. E. C. Allfree, who appeared on behalf of the 14-year-old lad, said he had now obtained work.

The chairman said the police had received no further complaints about the boys and in all cases the parents were exercising supervision.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) announced that the case would be dismissed on payment of 4s. costs each, plus 2s. each, representing the value of the fruit stolen.

FREEING OUR OWN MINDS

IN PREPARATION FOR TO-MORROW

By ADRIAN ALINGTON

We are to-day preoccupied with the question of Freedom as never before. For this is a desperate and crucial hour in human history. We are faced with the most brutal and determined conspiracy to extinguish Freedom by sheer thuggery that the world has ever seen.

And yet gloriously Freedom refuses to suffer extinction. In all the countries over which the Nazi tyranny has spread, men, women and children face the firing squad, the concentration camp or the immense perils of escape rather than surrender this precious thing. This hour, in fact, which has witnessed the ultimate degradation of the human spirit, has witnessed, too, its finest manifestation. History, maybe, in its final summing up may regard this as the most important event of the last two years. But that will only be, if this glorious flowering of the human spirit is not allowed to wither, if the courage and suffering of those who are holding on in the name of Freedom is made the foundation of a sane, secure world.

Whether this desirable world comes into being is going to depend largely on us, as well as our Allies, because we still have a certain detachment, if not leisure, for planning and thinking. In our own country, though we have suffered much, though we stood alone in a desperate hour in the only country desperate hour in the only country in the world, we have not known the blasting horrors of invasion. And this comparative immunity is more than a privilege: it is an opportunity and responsibility. To us it has been given to guard and nourish the future of Freedom without the Gestapo on the doorstep.

That the people of our country are alive to these ideals there is no question. We see the world in agony and turmoil about us and we are not blind ostriches. We consider the part which our country played in the slow looming-up of tyranny, and how we drifted altogether like it. We know, too, that in those days there was much that was evil in our own midst, class-inequalities, a huge proportion of a new generation going to waste before our eyes, and class-warfare becoming more bitter. Class-warfare." All these things stand out, lit up by the harsh glare of tragedy, no longer negligible. And everywhere people are saying "These things must not happen again." This time we must make a land fit for heroes to live in."

Potential Quislings.

Of course, we have still with us the rich man whose only desire is to hang on to his wealth, who is not averse even from "cashing in" on the nation's agony, and as we have the type of "worker" who (unlike his brothers in the services) is making good money and demands nothing of the future, but that it should bring him bigger and better pay packets and for cash for his wife. But such people—they would have been the Quislings and collaborationists if things had turned differently—are the common enemy of all honest-minded folk and need not concern us here.

The question becomes immensely more difficult and dangerous, when we consider the case of those who urgently desire to see a fairer way of life set up, but differ profoundly about the way it is to be done, who agree about ends, but not about means. And it is by splitting those earnest and well-intentioned people with their innumerable Plans, Blueprints and Programmes for a Better Britain to say that the minds of even the wisest and most sincere are a tangle of old prejudices and half ideas, which are an obstacle to clear thinking. To say this is to say only that they are human.

Education.

Consider but one of the many problems that confront us, a highly important one, the question of education. Most people are agreed that a soundly and equally educated population is essential. Up immediately crops the question of the public schools. A and B, both men of the utmost integrity, but with widely different backgrounds, write upon this subject and disagree totally in almost every particular. A's education, poor, is blighted resentful of his own inadequate education, has had to fight all his life to get on himself and is full of the grudges which came almost automatically to well-born B. Small wonder that when he thinks of public schools they he visualises, probably with some particular obnoxious example in his mind, a pampered, superciliously bred class of boys, heredity determined to hang on to his privileges and keep the rest of the country in their place. Away with these hot-beds of privilege, these breeding-grounds of arrogant young snobs!

In the mind of B, on the other hand, linger sentimental memories of old cloisters, old traditions, old friendships. These things are mellow and lovely in his mind. To him they are part and parcel of England and he believes in the old-fashioned idea of training "character." But he is an honest man, he thinks it quite possible that these desirable things should be the heritage only of a certain privileged class. He does not want to see them swept away to make way for a purely utilitarian education. He wants them to be universally enjoyed. The public schools must remain!

A and B, two honest, well-meaning men with the same end in view. But will they ever learn to understand each other? Will not A, with unhappy memories rankling in his mind, think that B is patronising, if not actually opposed to him? Will not B, particularly if he is a man of a certain age and remembers how in 1914 his companions left the field in complete disorder, be fatally irritated and embittered by the too-easy "Old School Tie"?

That, superficially described, is but one of the problems that divide us to-day, problems which we shall never solve without a good deal of tolerance and mutual understanding. We must not let the tree our own minds, if we are not going to waste this golden opportunity, to relapse once again into complacency and disillusion, to fail shamefully those who are "holding on" for Freedom.

RAMSGATE SAVINGS

Savings in Ramsgate for the week ended 7th November reached a grand total of £6,129.

The amount consisted of 3 per cent. savings bonds £2,550, deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank £1,788, national savings certificates £986 and defen e bonds £805.

25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

Pte. William Ellen, of Haine, has been killed in action. He had been in the Army for nine months, six of which were spent in France.

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Spr. H. W. Marsh, R.E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh, of Minster, is reported wounded. The left knee-cap was smashed and the right leg cut by a shell. The left leg has been amputated. Spr. Marsh is 38 years of age.

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O/S C. A. Dell, who has been training for a life afloat with the R.N.V.R., has been entered as a temporary probationary flight officer. His father is a well-known N.C.O. of the Ramsgate Company, K.V.R. P/F/O Dell is now somewhere in France.

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Bdr. G. R. Stirups, R.F.A., only son of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Stirups, of 5 Finsbury-road, Ramsgate, has been gazetted 2nd-lieutenant in the South Lancashire Regiment and on service in the West of England. In the battle of Loos in 1915 he was wounded in the head and was on the sick list until March, 1916. He has received his commission after three years in the ranks.

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Gnr. A. Cuthert, R.F.A., has been severely wounded in the left knee. His wife, who lives at King Edward-avenue, Broadstairs, has heard from him that his wound will prevent him walking for a considerable time.

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Pte. Charles Bird, of King-street, Ramsgate, was home last week for ten days' leave after a strenuous year in France. Two years ago he joined the 1st Life Guards.

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L/Cpl. C. Barrow, a member of Ramsgate Borough Police Force, who is now assisting to round up Germans in East Africa, will be remembered as a prominent sportsman in pre-war days.

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Mrs. Longley, of 19 Princes-street, Ramsgate, has received news that her only son, Pte. P. J. Miller, has been posted as missing. It is feared that he was lost during one of the recent advances on the British front in France.

50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

HIEDSIECK THEN

Alderman Blackburn was re-elected Mayor of Ramsgate at the Town Hall on Wednesday. His election was proposed by Alderman Sykes and seconded by Councillor Merritt, and the Mayor announced that he had re-appointed Alderman Wood as Deputy Mayor. Alderman Wood and Frost were re-elected and Councillor Emett was promoted to the aldermanic bench. A sumptuous collation, washed together with an unstinted supply of hiedsieck, was after-wards provided by the Mayor. When Councillor Leetham was elected Mayor of Margate the same day he was presented with a "loving cup" by Alderman Wood.

BONFIRE BOYS

The Ramsgate Bonfire Boys excelled themselves on Monday, when the monster Guy Fawkes carnival provided many thousands of people with a good night's entertainment. The weather was extremely foggy but, notwithstanding that drawback, the procession passed off without a hitch. Those taking part in the procession took for "police" the West Cliff-road, instead of the Quadrant, as originally arranged, and proceeded along Grange-road, Royal-road, Paragon, Addington-street, Queen-street, High-street, Charlton-street, Boundary-road, King-street and Harbour-street, to the sands. The procession included representations of Father Ralegh, Dick Turpin, Mephistopheles and the Fiery Cross Knights, all of which with their implements, torch carriers and Ye Knights of Ye Clever with the accustomed Guy Fawkes. On the procession reaching the sands there was a very interesting display of fireworks with great interest the huge bonfire already alight.

WING-COMMANDER DECORATED

Wg.-Cdr. Eric Cecil Eaton, whose home is at Broadgodsire and who was educated at Devon House, Margate, has been awarded the D.F.C.

Before taking command of No. 101 Squadron in March this year, Wg.-Cdr. Eaton proved himself a very capable operational captain and flight commander and he has taken part in attacks against such distant targets as Genoa and Stettin. By his good judgment and personal example he has built up a first-class squadron.

MR. H. D. WILLIAMS

DEATH OF FORMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The funeral took place at Ramsgate Cemetery on Friday of Mr. Herbert Douglas Williams, of 20 Crescent-road, Ramsgate, who passed away at the age of 66 years.

Although he had been in failing health for some time, Mr. Williams took his customary walk on the seafront until quite recently.

For 25 years Mr. Williams, who received in 1929, conducted a preparatory school for boys at Hove, near Brighton. His sister, Miss G. M. Williams, was principal of a girls' school in Crescent-road, Ramsgate, for many years.

By his first wife, Miss Alice Piper, of Margate, Mr. Williams had four sons. The youngest, Wg./Cdr. H. D. Williams, was awarded the D.S.O. for leading the attack on the German cruiser Prinz Eugen, off Norway. He was reported missing last summer but subsequently it was announced that he was a prisoner of war.

Seven years ago Mr. Williams married Miss Doris Irene Miller, of Rugby, Warwickshire, with whom deep sympathy will be expressed on the loss she has sustained.

The funeral took place at Ramsgate Cemetery on Friday. The interment was conducted by the Vicar of St. Lawrence (the Rev. J. H. Roundhill).

The chief mourners were the widow, Mr. L. T. D. Williams and Mr. O. H. D. Williams (sons) and Mrs. Woodgate, Mrs. Lashe, Mrs. Marcwyn; Gertie and Annie; Kit; Fred and Edie; Annie; Mabel and Bob; all Nor'West Corner"; Mrs. Hogshorn.

Mr. W. H. Maskell, of Hardres-street, Ramsgate, conducted the funeral arrangements.

HER SON IS SAFE

Mrs. H. W. Jennings, of 3 Victoria-avenue, Northdown, last week received a telegram informing her that her son Stkr. 1st Class Charles William (Digger) Jennings, R.N., previously posted as missing, was a prisoner of war.

Stkr. Jennings was serving on the destroyer Sikh, which was sunk during a raid on Tobruk.

An old boy of Sandy Trinity and the Central School, Margate, Stkr. Jennings, who is 23 years of age, joined the Navy in 1938. He served in the minesweeper Kellett during the evacuation of Dunkirk and helped to land some of the survivors at Margate.

EVERY FARMER A "LORD WOOLTON"

Every dairyfarmer should be as careful in feeding his stock as the experts are in planning to feed the people of the nation. To give every cow in the Ramsgate district the benefit of "points" is unthinkable—especially in war-time. She must not be fed according to her job of work. She must earn her keep by her yields.

Dairyfarmers have been urged to be come as self-sufficient as possible—to plan their cropping and to make sure of winter supplies. Let them use what they have grown wisely and to the best advantage. Let every farmer act as a "Lord Woolton." The Minister knows what though he were Lord Woolton how what. He would be unable to do in such circumstances? He would first make sure what quantities of hay, kale, roots, silage and so were available on the farm. He would measure up the risk or risk some unnecessary waste. He would proceed to do it for him. He might cut a small fraction of an acre of kale and weigh it as a guide to the total crop. If he were a farmer, he'd know the exact weight of roots in the clamp and of silage in pit or container.

Then our Food Minister would make up his mind very definitely that these various foods should be fed strictly "according to the book." And "the book" for him would be the Ministry of Agriculture's Growmore Leaflet No. 90, "Feeding for Winter Milk," which he could get free from his War Agricultural Committee or the Ministry. The leaflet provides a ready reckoner showing how much hay can be fed per day for various periods when the total amount available per head is known, or the amount required per head when the daily quantity is fixed.

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RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 12, Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

School Attendance.—The average roll at Ramsgate elementary schools during September was 1,468 and the percentage attendance 89·03.

Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Christmas Day Fixtures.—Permission to hold a cinematograph performance at the Odeon Cinema from 2 p.m. till 10 p.m. on Christmas Day was granted by Ramsgate magistrates on Monday.

Note for Dancers.—In future the regular dancing sessions at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, for which music is supplied by Frederick Hargraves and his orchestra, will be held each week on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Knitting Exhibition.—An exhibition of woollen comforts made during the past month by the Ramsgate W.V.S. Knitting party is on view at the Ramsgate Corporation Gas and Water Department showroom, High-street.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarence House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Education Chairman Reappointed.—The chairman (Alderman W. T. Smith) and vice-chairman (Councillor Mrs. Eleanor Harcourt Samuel) were both re-elected by Ramsgate Education Committee in committee on Thursday.

You cannot do better than take anything you have to sell to an established old gold, jewellery, silver plate, furs, cutlery, etc. Licensed valuers. 47 and 48 Queen street, Ramsgate.

Teacher's Illness.—The absence from teaching duties on account of sickness of Mr. W. E. Copping since 1st September was reported at Thursday's meeting of Ramsgate Education Committee. The report of the Education Committee stated that Mr. Copping had been paid full salary for the period 1st-31st October and a further report will be made.

Pastor Visits Methodists.—The Rev. Harcourt Samuel, Pastor of Cavendish Baptist Church, Ramsgate, was the preacher at Ramsgate Methodist Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Samuel gave an eloquent discourse on the parable of the prodigal son, his theme being that people could not find enduring happiness away from the love of God.

Unscreened Fire.—Going to a cinema on the afternoon of 7th November, Reginald Champlin, of The Paragon, Ramsgate, left a fire burning in the second floor of the building. During the evening, WB Scott saw the light of the fire shining through a window and broke into the rear of the building in order to screen it. For infringing the black-out regulations, Champlin was fined 10s. at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Another Remand.—A further fortnight's adjournment was ordered by the magistrates at Ramsgate juvenile court on Tuesday when a 15-year-old boy again appeared in connection with the alleged theft of money, a pair of gent's trousers, a grey cardigan, gent's pocket watch and two brooches, together to the value of £3 6s. 6d., from a warehouse in Margate-road on 19th October. Cll Butcher stated that the police enquiries were not yet complete and the boy was remanded in custody.

BROADSTAIRS

Metal Drive.—The fortnight's non-ferrous metal drive held in Broadstairs and St. Peter's recently resulted in 12 cwts. being collected.

Death of Former Licensee.—The funeral took place at St. Peter's on Tuesday, of Mr. Henry William Spratley, of 72 Belvedere-road, Broadstairs, who died on the previous Friday at the age of 85 years. Mr. Spratley was formerly licensee of the Prince Albert Inn, Broadstairs, and he served in the 3rd Hussars for about 14 years. The Rector of Broadstairs (the Rev. H. Bailey) officiated at the graveside.

Good Templary.—The weekly meeting of the Star of the East Lodge, I.O.G.T., held at the Good Templar Hall, Edge Hill, on Monday evening, was well supported over by Mr. T. E. McCabe, Chief Templar. He expressed pleasure at being the presence of Pte. R. Pointer and greetings were received from Mr. E. E. Martin, Mrs. Haslam and Mr. G. Castle. Mr. A. B. Impett, P.D.S., reported on the quarterly meeting of the Thanet Templar Convention, and Mr. A. Bawes, A.S.J.T., gave an interesting report on work among the children. The intercession service conducted by the Chief Templar and Mrs. Whiteley, lodge chaplain, was followed by community singing with Mrs. Bawes at the piano. The quarterly session of the East Kent District Lodge will be held at Canterbury on Saturday next.

NEW MAGISTRATE

TAKES THE OATH AT RAMSGATE

Ramsgate's new magistrate, Mr. Alfred William Cave, was sworn in at Monday's sitting of the court.

Welcoming him to the bench, the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) said he felt sure he would be able to help them in their deliberations. "I trust you will be able to attend regularly," he said. "There are some members of the bench who never come at all."

Mr. E. C. Allfree welcomed Mr. Cave on behalf of the solicitors practising at the court. He hoped Mr. Cave would find the work interesting and find time to give the attention to it which the important post deserved and demanded. Relationship between the bench and the solicitors had been most friendly in the past and he hoped the new magistrate would realise that advocates appearing before the bench were out to assist them to the best of their ability. Sometimes it might appear to the bench that they were nothing more nor less than a nuisance, but that was not so. They always wanted to make the facts clear to the magistrates in order that they could decide the justice of the cases before them.

"This bench in particular," he said, "is very careful in considering a case and can see that justice is done and, perhaps more than 'the run of benches,' it is always inclined to temper justice with mercy."

Returning thanks, Mr. Cave said he appreciated the honour bestowed on of himself and the trade union movement which he represented.

IMMEASURABLE OPPORTUNITIES

MAYOR'S SUNDAY AT MARGATE

The responsibility which rested upon them for planning the future was emphasised by the Archdeacon of Croydon (the Ven. H. W. Bradfield) when he addressed the Mayor's Sunday service at Margate Parish Church.

The new Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford) was accompanied by the Mayoress, members and officials of the Town Council.

There were present also representatives of many local organisations.

Extending a welcome in the name of the Church, to the Mayor and Mayoress, the aldermen and members of the Council and the officials of the borough, the Archdeacon said he trusted that the work committed to them would be fulfilled in such a fashion as would redound to the greater glory of God and the well-being and happiness of all. The Church, he said, knew full well the difficulties and responsibilities of their task in these days and how immeasurable were the opportunities before them in the replanning and reconstruction of the home for what they had done in Margate, but also as representatives of a great company of ordinary men and women throughout the length and breadth of the country who, with great courage, heroic endurance and unselfish sacrifice, had given themselves to fighting the savage fury of an attack which was making for the world that barbarity on the homes of women and children, aged and helpless.

Devotion to Duty.

"We thank you with all our hearts," he said, "for what you have done, the risks you have run and your devotion to duty, as an extra unit in company with your gallant comrades of the R.A.F., that we can say that in 1940 all that was left to the opposing force was defeated in its attempt to reduce the people of this island fortress to surrender. We thank God for the strength given you to accomplish that work and the measure of success which crowned your efforts."

The Archdeacon went on to refer to the part they had achieved in the Eighth Army in Egypt, of which the church bells reminded them.

Group-Captain Grimsditch said: "This is a glorious day," the preacher said they were as true to-day as when they were speaking; as fine an esteem in Margate as for the Eighth Army in Libya.

The three purposes for which they were gathered together that morning were really the trend of one great dominating purpose in this country, the miracle of Dunkirk, when we achieved something which seemed humanly impossible; in the Battle of Britain, in the margin between this country and disaster was extraordinarily slender; in the days of the blitz, and we were driven to wonder how long human nature could stand such a terrific strain upon it; and in 1941 when we were at last that we were now permitted to witness the heartening spectacle of the resurgence of the nation?

The answer was simple. God had purposes for the world, and within that purpose he had committed this nation, which by His help had survived so great dangers, a very real and responsible share.

The history of the past three years implied a responsibility upon the United Nations as a whole to use all our power in God, not only to crush the forces of evil, manifest in such malign and sinister forms, but when victory was granted to use the opportunities given in this country and the world the purpose of God; to secure happiness and freedom of man in the service of what had come to be known as the Kingdom of God.

WESTGATE

Death of Col. Anson.—Lt.-Col. George Frank Wemyss Anson, O.B.E., formerly headmaster of Doon House Preparatory School, Westgate, has died at Peterchurch, Herefordshire. Serving in the Indian Army for some years, he was at one time British Consul in the Persian Gulf and he came to Westgate nearly 20 years ago to take over Doon House. When Westgate was incorporated in the Borough of Margate he was one of six candidates for the three seats on the Council but failed to secure election.

STOLEN PEARS

BROADSTAIRS LOOTING CHARGE

A looting charge against three soldiers was dismissed under the Probation of Offenders' Act at the Isle of Thanet Petty Sessions Court, Margate, on Monday.

Reuben Douglas Collins, aged 23 years, Thomas Conner, aged 27 years, and Leonard Edwin Ward, aged 23 years, all of the Royal Artillery, were formally charged that in an area which had been subjected to enemy air attack they stole from Barnjet, Pare-road, Broadstairs, a quantity of eating pears, value 10s., the property of Archibald Western Martin.

They were further charged with storebreaking and entering premises which had been subjected to enemy air attack with intent to steal, but these charges were not proceeded with after Mr. H. Borg, who appeared for defendants, entered a plea of guilty on the looting charge.

Mr. Eric Weale, county prosecuting solicitor, said the premises were damaged when a bomb fell within 30 yards of it the windows were damaged but first aid repairers had been carried out. The premises were empty except for a quantity of fruit and onions, but were attended to by a gardener.

On 27th October the gardener, Mr. William Parker, examined the premises and found everything secure. At 2 a.m. on 29th October he again visited the premises and found a quantity of pears missing. A double door in the building had been opened by bodily force. The gardener informed the police, who made inquiries concerning some soldiers who had been working in close proximity at the time.

Footprint Clue.

Conner was interviewed and admitted he had been working in the vicinity with two other men, but denied all knowledge of the offence. Ward also denied all knowledge, but in reply to a question admitted he had been wearing rubber boots, the police having discovered an impression outside the door. When Collins was seen he made a complete admission but denied breaking open the door. Ward then made a statement in which he said the three of them were working nearby and seeing the door open were inquisitive and went in. They filled their pockets with pears and left. Conner still continued to deny the charges.

Mr. Borg said defendants had been working nearby and seeing the door ajar they were inquisitive and entered. They took some pears but merely filled the pockets of their battle dress. The three men had excellent characters and had no previous convictions.

An officer in defendants' unit said the three men had been under his command between two and three years and had first-class characters. Not one of them had ever been before the C.O. for an offence. They were men of exceptional good ability and he valued them extremely. It would be very difficult to replace them if he lost them.

Announcing the decision of the bench, the Chairman (Councillor S. W. Pearce) said they would deal very leniently with the men in view of their excellent characters and the reference given them by their officer.

UNITY OF PURPOSE

TRIBUTE TO MARGATE CIVIL DEFENCE

Representatives of every branch of Civil Defence attended the Civil Defence Day parade in Cecil-square, Margate, on Sunday.

Another inspiring address was given by the Mayor (Councillor F. J. Cornford).

"In this town," said the Mayor, "we know that a high standard of efficiency and devotion has been achieved and has proved itself on many occasions under stress of enemy attack, without thought of personal risk, and I feel sure that when victory is won and reconstruction is the watchword of the hour the same heroism, endurance and splendid work of all those who have stood firm and unflinching in this town of Margate will not go unrecorded.

"In these times of trial the spirit of mutual help and consideration has steadily stronger and it is that unity of purpose and unbroken faith in the justice of our cause that has also helped us in the dark days of 1940 and 1941, and is slowly but surely bringing us to victory."

The Mayor thanked all for the important work they were doing and congratulating them on their continuous and efficient service. He said he was confident that, whatever was demanded of them in the future, the people will respond courageously and willingly do their duty.

In spite of the many difficulties and hardships they had had to face in Margate through the war, the task of the Council had been immensely helped by the loyalty and cheerful work of all the services for Civil Defence, and he was sure that the members of those services had been inspired to give of their best by the fortitude and brave attitude of the people still resident in the town.

"We all know what the past three years have meant to us in regard to the blitz," continued the Mayor. "We have had many sad experiences, but the past has taught us a great deal. Foremost it has taught us to be ready for any emergency; to be prepared at any hour of the day or night.

"As the war quickens—and it is bound, I think, to do so—we view the splendid progress made by our Allies and ourselves in North Africa with confidence. We are becoming more desperate and may attempt even greater destruction than in the past. So it is more than ever necessary to be prepared in every way."

MARGATE

Financial Assistance.—Government assistance to the borough of Margate during October amounted to £30,000, making a total to date of £180,000.

Meteorological Observer.—A recommendation that Capt. J. E. Turner be asked to resume his duties as meteorological observer as from 1st January next, at his former salary of £40 per annum, is being made by the Health Committee at to-day's meeting of Margate Council.

Campaign Again Diphtheria.—The campaign for the immunisation of children against diphtheria has met with great success in Margate and it is hoped that before the end of the year between 80 and 90 per cent. of the town's schoolchildren will have been immunised.

VICAR'S CHALLENGE

TO CHURCH CRITICS

RAMSGATE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Mayor's Sunday at Ramsgate this year held a special significance—it was also a remembrance day.

The large congregation that packed the nave and gallery of St. George's Church gathered not only to hear the Vicar (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) give his blessing to the work of the Mayor and Corporation in the year ahead, but also to remember and offer thanksgiving for the defeat of the German air attacks on this country in 1940-41 and the work of the Civil Defence services.

Much of its former pageantry was lacking in the procession, which was composed of the various branches of Civil Defence and the National Fire Service, but the crowd in the church was quite as large as in previous years. Following the arrival of the procession, the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) and members of the Council in their robes walked up the aisle accompanied by the Town Clerk (Mr. H. G. Curtis) and other officials and prominent townspeople, and preceded by the macebearer (Mr. G. Mantle).

The service was held in the afternoon in order that other clergy in the town might participate. In previous years the holding of the service in the morning has made this impossible.

Supreme Sacrifice.

Before commencing his sermon, the Vicar made reference to the desert campaign.

"This great victory which we celebrate in our thoughts and hearts today and for which we thank God," he said, "has not been attained without a goodly number having paid the supreme sacrifice. Others have died in the war and it has been my privilege to conduct from time to time in the crypt little memorial services for those who have received that sad news. I feel that perhaps the time has come when we might have, on the Sunday afternoon before Christmas, just a short memorial service to which we will invite all those whose hearts are sore and those who would like to unite with them and uphold them in prayer and faith. I would like to read at that service that glorious fourth from a famous hymn, 'In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.'"

In opening his sermon, Mr. Farnsworth said he wanted to refer to another great triumph in connection with the country that was in their minds that day—the triumph of Moses and the children of Israel. Moses exalted God for their deliverance.

"The children of Israel they were deeply stirred or had a great occasion for rejoicing or often when their hearts were full they got into church or some other place of worship. They wanted to gather together to lift up their thoughts and hearts to God.

The Work of the Church.

"So there is some use for the church, then, after all," he said. "Some are inclined to think and say the Church is a little out-of-date or at any rate that it is very far out of the needs of the present time." When people offered that kind of criticism they meant the clergy and those things that were associated with the clergyman, whose work was spiritual, did not seem very busy about the present things. It might seem that they were a little out of touch. Was that really true? Again? The man who had fallen foul of the law should have the opportunity of getting back on the rails "—again? The boy or girl first did that. Who first organised all those temperance societies which had cleaned up the country considerably and now first undertook to help children of everyone should have an education and should learn at any rate the A B C of life? Who first began saying for so long that gambling was wrong and that immorality was wrong? Who was it that gave to the world such hymns such as "Jesu, lover of my soul" and "Onward Christian Soldiers"? In each case it was the Church.

Thus they were greatly indebted to the Church of the past which had given them their buildings in which to worship.

"Here were there that day, continued the Vicar, to remember and acknowledge all that was being done by the Civil Defence services. They paid tribute to the magnificent work done in this and other towns during great emergencies." The Mayor had thank you for what you are doing and I am glad to know that your work is called for. You are doing something for somebody else. It reminds us of that great law of Christ 'Do unto others as you would that they should do you.'

To The Kingdom of God.

"Who does not feel that somehow we are going through these difficult days with a certain sense of fear. The Church has constantly reminded us, to the Kingdom of God?" That great gift to mankind him as his work that it might be to the glory of God and rewarded with His approval.

The Archbishop Vicar had said that in the near future they wanted to appeal to the public of Ramsgate in a united way when the churches held a "Royal legion and life" week, the object of which would be to put forward the position of Christianity both as a faith and as a living. The week would be held in April next and all the town's clergy, including the Roman Catholic fraternity, would unite in the effort.

Prayers were led by the Vicar of St. Lawrence (the Rev. B. J. H. Roundhill) and the Rev. Stanley B. Green (minister of the Ramsgate Congregational Church) read the lesson from the 4th chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Corinthians.

Salute From Lord Monsell.

Lord Monsell, Regional Commissioner for the S.E. Region, sent the following message:—

Sunday was selected as the day to salute the Civil Defence organisation and to celebrate their achievements, because they have played a very notable part in the magnificent fight the British people have put up in the last three years.

I am tired of the word "frustration." We hear of people feeling "frustrated" because they say they are not doing more, but cannot believe that these 'people have the remotest idea of the realities of the situation. Let us consider realities for a moment and let us sometimes praise our own people.

We entered this war lamentably unprepared to meet even our obvious enemies and if it had not been for our Navy, both Royal and Merchant, which from the first hour of the war have been strained to the uttermost and have undergone night and day without rest incredible hardships and risk, we might to-day have been the slaves of Hitler.

In June, 1940, we were left to fight by ourselves and for over a year we stood absolutely alone in the world and during that time I never heard any suggestion of a second front.

At that moment a great figure stood forth in the person of our present Prime Minister and I am confident that the verdict of history will be that few men have done more to alter the destiny of the world than Winston Churchill. His faith, courage and leadership, he rallied the people of this country and of the British Empire. He stood like a rock and what he had the spirit to win. Behind the shield of our Navy and a rapidly growing Air Force, we set to work to make good our all-round deficiencies and to enlist, train and equip an Army; and we have just seen what our soldiers can do when they are provided with the proper material.

Spirited Endurance.

At the latter end of 1940, there occurred two of the greatest events that have ever taken place in our island history—the short Battle of Britain fought by the long Battle of the Bomber. The Battle of Britain was won by the superb courage and devotion of a small number of pilots to whom our country and the free-dom-loving world can never be sufficiently grateful. This was followed by the long drawn out Battle of the Bomber—a savage attempt to cow the people of this country by blasting their homes and their bodies for months on end.

It was here that the Civil Defence organisation came into its own. They led, succoured and sustained the people and their great deeds. Their help, courage and devotion to duty did much to sustain the morale of our people and eventually the splendid endurance and sheer force of spirit shown by our people beat the high explosive and incendiary and every other device the Hun employed against the civil population. They have no fear for the future now.

But Mr. Churchill showed the world that we had the spirit to win, it was the ordinary people of this country who showed the world that we could not be beaten and I am convinced it was this that did more than anything else to change the attitude of the world towards this war and to bring the United States of America to our aid.

The men and women of Civil Defence have given a conspicuous and gallant lead and have earned an imperishable name on the roll of fame.—I salute them!

CADET RECRUITMENT

Following a week of recruiting, the Broadstairs platoon of the Ramsgate and Margate Army Cadet Company has been formed and are Sub-Lieut. Commanding Officer, Capt. R. N. Paterson, made a preliminary inspection.

Training starts this week and prospective cadets from Broadstairs can enrol on Sundays between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. at the A.R.P. headquarters, Broadstairs. Cadet Under-Officers N. Girolami and Sims are in charge of the new platoon.

Any boys who participate in these are well away towards formation and the Commanding Officer will be pleased to hear from men who can help in these districts.

Within the next ten days the Ramsgate platoons will be moving into permanent headquarters.

The following appointments have been announced:—J. G. F. Farley and A. A. Massie to be 2nd-lieutenants as from 1st November.

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN AND WOMEN

Here is some news of a Ramsgate family who can boast not only a good service record but also a variety of musical nicknames. They are the Harrises, of 59 Percy-road. Edmund Harris, an old boy of Ellington School, goes by the name of "Smiler" to his friends and since the war started he's been all over England and Wales with the Royal Artillery. In the same section as him is the famous footballer Alex James. His brother, Lcpl. Acm. Harold Harris, R.A.F., has for some reason or other been dubbed "Insect" so it is probably rather appropriate that he is now taking his exams. as pilot. Harold is an old St. Georgian. Leslie, a telegraphist in the Royal Navy, and son of Hereson School, is known as "Bumps" and we hope he isn't getting too many in the course of his service. A third brother, Leonard ("Coppernob"), who was educated at Ellington School, is a corporal in the A.T.C. but is waiting to join the Royal Navy, while Joyce Harris, formerly of the same school, is expecting her call-up. The father of this family, Mr. F. J. Harris, in 1940 left the Royal Navy in 1890 and has been disabled ever since the last war.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the forces—so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

This month's News Letter of the East Cliff Scouts, Ramsgate, offers congratulations to D. S. Hewlett, a Fleet Air Arm Navy, on his recent marriage, to Jim Gollick, R.A.F., on the birth of a son, and to J. Wheeler, R.A.F., on his promotion to flight-sergeant. Sid Spencer has been recalled to the Army after over a year in the National Fire Service.

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Ldg. Acm. E. Grinham, R.A.F., a former member of the East Cliff Scouts, was on leave last week. Before joining the R.A.F., Ldg. Acm. Grinham was a member of the staff of the ANVERTISER & ECHO and lived at Salisbury-avenue, Broadstairs. He is now a despatch rider.

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Flt.-Mech. Charlie Fields fighted a ten days' leave in Ramsgate on Monday and returned to his station in the south of England. His brother Fred, a driver in the R.A.S.C., is serving in India and his bosom pal, Alan Darby, R.A., who was captured in Crete, is still working on a concrete mixer in Germany.

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Mr. L. C. Beak, Entertainments Manager at Broadstairs, is now serving with the Royal Air Force and has just completed a few days' leave at home. At the moment he is taking a course in radio-location.

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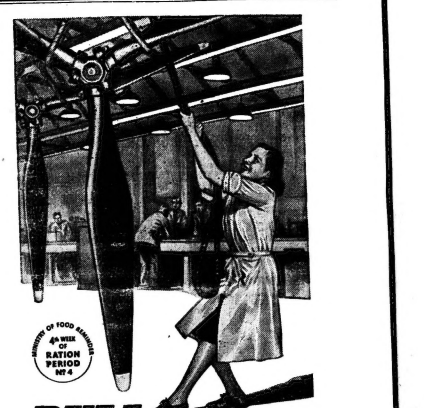
Dvr. Stanley Gee, of Nethercourt-hill, St. Lawrence, has just spent a leave at home. He is a popular member of the St. Lawrence Change Ringers.

IDENTITY DISC CLUE

Pte. George Albert Woods, aged 20, was remanded in custody at Margate police court on Tuesday with breaking and entering Sunset Bungalow, Birchington, the residence of Mr. Thomas Warrington, with intent to commit a felony.

D/S Presland, giving evidence of arrest, said he saw defendant at a military billet at Birchington and he denied having been in Sunset. He admitted he had lost his identity disc and when told they had been found at the house, could not account for them being there.



You've got to be fit. Watch your food! See that it has flavour to tempt your appetite — use plenty of OXO. See that it is nourishing to keep you going — make it beefy with OXO.

THEY WORK AFTER SUNSET

AWARDS TO BROADSTAIRS SPECIALS

Long service medals and bars were presented to members of the Broadstairs Special Constabulary at Broadstairs police station on Friday.

Introduced by Inspr. F. Hann, the officer in charge at Broadstairs, the medals were presented by Councillor B. J. Pearson, Chairman of Broadstairs Council, who, in a short speech, thanked the specials for the work that they had done and were doing.

Such work, said Councillor Pearson, was extremely important and was carried out loyally. On behalf of the town, he wished to express the great appreciation of their work. Their duties did not place them in the public eye as they were carried out when the sun had set, but the citizens owed them a debt of gratitude.

Councillor Pearson took the opportunity of expressing his appreciation also of Inspr. Hann and the regular officers.

After presenting the medals and bars, Councillor Pearson was thanked by the Head Special Constable, Mr. A. J. Tatton, and also the Superintendent of the North Wingham Division, Mr. E. A. Anderson.

Long service awards were: medals—Sgt. A. T. Tucker, S/Cs. A. G. Springett and M. A. Allen; bars—Inspr. E. A. Anderson, S/Cs. F. J. Appleton, C. R. Rowland and G. E. Lawrence; second bar—Head S/C A. J. Tanton.

Lady Worsley's Visit.—Lady Worsley, the regional administrator, visited the Margate W.V.S. Centre on Wednesday, accompanied by the Hon. Mrs. Petherick, county organiser, and Miss Towers, assistant county organiser. After inspecting the centre, Lady Worsley laid a wreath at the town's war memorial on behalf of the W.V.S. as a tribute to all women who have lost their lives in the present war.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these are Births and Deaths 1/6, Marriages. Returnouncements are 1d. per word (minimum: Memorial Inscriptions 2d. per word.

MARRIAGES

Drummond—Seath.—11th November, at St. Mary's Church, Minster, William Bissett Drummond, of Flic Sandland, to Janet May Seath, of Minster.

Wright—Burgess.—7th November, at Christ Church, Westgate, Reginald Wright, Hampshire Regt., of Saffron Walden, Essex, to Pamela Mary Burgess, of Westgate-on-Sea.

DEATHS

Anson.—7th November, at Fairfield, Peterchurch, Herefordshire, George Frank Wemyss Anson, of Doon House, Westgate-on-Sea.

Bartram.—12th November, at Southampton Villa, Carlton-avenue, Ramsgate, Albert William Bartram, aged 72 years.

Brenchley.—5th November, Ernest Robert Brenchley, of Hadley, St. Mildred's-avenue, Broadstairs, aged 66 years.

Curtis.—In November, 1942, killed in action in the Middle East, Lieut. John Frank Curtis, Sherwood Foresters, aged 23, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Curtis, Corbar, Montefiore-avenue, Ramsgate.

Jordan.—9th November, at Windsor Emergency Hospital, Janet Rose Jordan, late of 82 Margate-road, Ramsgate, aged 75 years.

Ladd.—7th November, at 92 Dane Valley-road, Margate, Kathleen Ladd, aged 15 years.

Spratt.—7th November, killed on active service, Leonard Frederick Joseph Spratt, Sgt.-Observ., R.A.F., late of Birchington, aged 22 years.

Stirrups.—9th November, at 7 Connaught-gardens, Margate, Maud Ellen Stirrups, aged 37 years.

Spratley.—9th November, at 22 Belvedere-road, Broadstairs, Henry William Spratley, aged 85 years.

Williams.—9th November, Herbert Douglas Williams, of 20 Crescent-road, Ramsgate, and formerly of Dover, aged 66 years.

RETURN THANKS

The Sons and Daughters of the late **Mrs. Jordan** wish to thank relatives and neighbours for floral tributes and sympathy shown in their sudden bereavement; also Mr. Maskell for funeral arrangements.

—82 Chapel-road, Ramsgate.

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